

HEROES

OF THE

NEW TESTAMENT

July 27, 2026- Acts Chapter 7 - 20

To The End of the Earth – The Gospel Spread

KEY PEOPLE WHO INFLUENCED THE SPREAD OF THE GOSPEL

GOD WORKING THROUGH FAITHFUL WITNESSES



1

PETER

Acts 1-4



2

STEPHEN

Acts 6



3

PAUL

Acts 7-20



4



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*“You will be My witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria,
and to the end of the earth.”*

ACTS 1:8

Paul: From Persecutor to Missionary

Acts 7 : 58 They dragged him out of the city and began to stone him. Meanwhile, the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul.

Acts 8 And Saul approved of their killing him.

Acts 8 : 3 Saul began to destroy the church. Going from house to house, he dragged off both men and women and put them in prison.

Acts 8 : 4 He fell to the ground and heard a voice say to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?"

⁵ "Who are you, Lord?" Saul asked. "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,"

Acts 9 : 15 But the Lord said to Ananias, "Go! This man is my chosen instrument to proclaim my name to the Gentiles and their kings and to the people of Israel. ¹⁶ I will show him how much he must suffer for my name."



The Apostle to the Gentiles

Luke-Acts Series

Acts 13-20



[Paul's Missionary Journeys: Acts 13-20](#)

With God All Things Are Possible

Challenge	How the Holy Spirit Helped Paul
Fear after conversion	Filled him with boldness (Acts 9)
Missionary calling	Sent him (Acts 13)
Opposition	Gave power over Elymas (Acts 13)
Knowing where to go	Directed his travels (Acts 16)
Persecution	Gave courage to continue (Acts 18, 20)
Imprisonment	Prepared him for suffering (Acts 20)
Public trials	Gave wisdom before rulers (Acts 24–26)
Weakness	Christ's power worked through him (2 Cor. 12)
Preaching	Demonstrated the Spirit's power (1 Cor. 2)

People and Places

Through Paul and being led by the Holy Spirit, the Gospel continued to spread though Luke, Timothy, and many others to places around the world.



How Then Shall We Pray

What can you ask the Holy Spirit to help you with this week?



Paul's Enduring Message

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." 2 Timothy 4:7